

Amendments to the claims:

1. (currently amended) A packaging for a component, comprising:
at least one attachment element, wherein the component may be is
attached by means of the at least one attachment element to a mounting surface
of a superordinate unit, wherein the component has an upper surface, a bottom
surface, and at least one mounting for the at least one attachment element
continuing from the upper surface to the bottom surface, wherein the packaging
is formed at least partially substantially rigidly and wherein the at least one
attachment element inserted in the at least one mounting is held in a form-locking
manner in a position, such that the at least one attachment element does not
project over the bottom surface of the component,
further comprising at least one locking bar, wherein said at least one
locking bar engages under a head of the at least one attachment element,
wherein a main body of the packaging is composed of at least two parts, a
cover part and a floor part, and wherein the at least one locking bar is disposed
on the cover part.

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

4. (currently amended) The packaging according to claim 1 3, wherein the cover part covers the upper surface and at least a part of lateral surfaces of the component.

5. (currently amended) The packaging according to claim 1 3, wherein the floor part covers the bottom surface and at least one part of the lateral surfaces of component.

6. (canceled)

7. (canceled)

8. (canceled)

9. (currently amended) The packaging according to claim 1 3, wherein the cover part has a hole at a position corresponding to the position of the at least one attachment element.

10. (canceled)

11. (currently amended) The packaging according to claim 1 2, wherein the at least one locking bar is resiliently disposed on the cover part.

12. (currently amended) The packaging according to claim 1 3, wherein on a holding bar-free longitudinal end of the cover part, an open mounting is formed in a longitudinal direction of the cover part.

13. (currently amended) The packaging according to claim 1 3, wherein the cover part and/or the floor part has at least one stabilizing bar, wherein said stabilizing bar is supported on a lateral surface of the component.

14. (canceled)

15. (currently amended) The packaging according to claim 1 3, wherein the cover part and/or the floor part is formed as an extruded plastic profile element.

16. (currently amended) The packaging according to claim 1 3, wherein the cover part and/or the floor part is composed of a plurality of identical components.

17. (original) The packaging according to claim 1, further comprising at least one end cap, wherein the end cap covers an associated front face of the component.

18. (currently amended) The packaging according to claim 17, wherein the end cap and/or the at least one cover part component and/or at least one the floor part element is made as an injection molded molding part.

19. (original) The packaging according to claim 1, further comprising means for protecting the component from corrosion.

20. (withdrawn) A method for packaging a component, comprising the following steps:

providing a packaging for a component, wherein the packaging comprises at least one attachment element, wherein the component is attached by means of the at least one attachment element to a mounting surface of a superordinate component, wherein the component has an upper surface, a bottom surface, and at least one mounting for the at least one attachment element continuing from the upper surface to the bottom surface, wherein the packaging is formed at least partially substantially rigidly and wherein the at least one attachment element inserted in the at least one mounting is held in a position in a form-locking manner, such that the at least one attachment element does not project over the bottom surface of the component;

attaching the component to an auxiliary element, wherein the auxiliary element has a projection at a position corresponding to a position of the at least one attachment element;

inserting the at least one attachment element in a mounting of the component;
mounting a cover part;
detaching the component from the auxiliary element; and
mounting a floor part.